REMARKS

In response to the Office Action dated March 5, 2004, the drawings, specification and abstract have been amended. No new matter has been added. Reexamination and reconsideration of the claims are respectfully requested. Applicant requests that withdrawn claims 1-16 and 34-81 be canceled.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for favorable consideration and allowance of Claims 1-18 and conditional allowance of the drawings, specification and abstract.

At paragraph 2 on page 2 of the Office Action, the drawings were objected to due to certain informalities.

Applicant respectfully traverses the objection to the drawings. However, in accordance with the Office's suggestion provided in form 948, Applicant has amended the drawings to better clarify the application.

At paragraph 2 on page 2 of the Office Action, the title was objected to due to certain informalities.

Applicant respectfully traverses the objection to the title. However, in accordance with Examiner's suggestion, Applicant has amended the title to better clarify title language.

At paragraph 2 on page 2 of the Office Action, the specification was objected to due to certain informalities.

Applicant respectfully traverses the objection to the specification. However, in accordance with Examiner's suggestion, Applicant has amended the specification to better clarify the language of the specification.

At paragraph 2 on page 2 of the Office Action, the abstract was objected to due to certain informalities.

Applicant respectfully traverses the objection to the abstract. However, in accordance with Examiner's suggestion, Applicant has amended the abstract to better clarify the abstract language.

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On the basis of the above amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, reconsideration of this application and its allowance are requested.

If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this communication, please contact Attorney for Applicant, David W. Lynch, at 651-686-6633 Ext. 116.

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